

REMARKS

The section of the Specification titled "CROSS REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS" has been amended as shown above to update the status of related applications. Applicants respectfully submit that these amendments do not add new matter.

Claims 43-58 are pending in the Application and all were allowed in the Notice of Allowance mailed January 4, 2010. Claims 43 and 48 are amended herein after allowance to correct claim drafting errors found by the Applicants. Claims 43 and 48 are independent claims. Claims 44-47 and 49-52 depend, respectively, from independent claims 43 and 48. Applicants respectfully submit that the amendments to claims 43 and 48 do not add new matter, and that claims 43 and 48, and any claims that depend therefrom, remain allowable.

Applicants respectfully request that the above amendments be entered, and that allowed claims 43-52 be moved to issuance without delay.

Conclusion

In general, the Office action makes various statements regarding the claims and the cited references that are now moot in light of the above. Thus, Applicants will not address such statements at the present time. However, Applicants expressly reserve the right to challenge such statements in the future should the need arise (e.g., if such statements should become relevant by appearing in a rejection of any current or future claim).

The Examiner is encouraged to contact the undersigned at 312-775-8000, should the Examiner disagree or have any questions regarding this submission.

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The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge additional fee(s) or credit overpayment(s) to the deposit account of McAndrews, Held & Malloy, Account No. 13-0017.

Respectfully submitted,

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